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FOUNDATION ENGLISH

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FOR THE STUDENTS ADMITTED FROM THE ACADEMIC YEAR 2012 – 2013 ONWARDS

FIRST YEAR - I SEMESTER

ENGLISH PAPER I

Unit- I Prose

1.1 My Greatest Olympic Prize - Jesse Owens

1.2 Early influences - Abdul Kalam

1.3 On Keyhole Morals - A.G. Gardiner

1.4 The Postmaster - Rabindranath Tagore

1.5 Survival - Margaret Atwood

Unit- II Poetry

2.1 Let me not to the marriage of true minds - William Shakespeare

2.2 Stopping by woods on a snowy Evening - Robert Frost

2.3 The Lotus - Toru Dutt

Unit - III Short Stories

3.1 The Selfish Giant - Oscar Wilde

3.2 Tree Speaks - C. Rajagopalachari

3.3 The Diamond Necklace - Guy De Maupassant

Unit - IV Grammar and Composition Grammar

- 4.1 Parts of Speech
- 4.2 Articles
- 4.3 Prepositions
- 4.4 Present Tense
- 4.5 Question Tag

Composition

- 4.6 Letter Writing
- 4.7 Email
- 4.8 Note Making

Unit - V Communication

- 5.1 Greeting
- 5.2 Introducing
- 5.3 Inviting Someone
- 5.4 Making Requests
- 5.5 Offering Help

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Modern Avenues, Harrows Publications

FIRST YEAR - II SEMESTER

ENGLISH PAPER - II

Unit- I Prose

1.1 Nanotechnology - Mark Ratner & Daniel Ratner

1.2 Princess September - Somerset Maugham

1.3 Our Urgent need for self – esteem - Nathaniel Branden

1.4 Emotional Intelligence - Daniel Coleman

1.5 On Forgetting - Robert W. Lynd

Unit- II Poetry

2.1 Money Madness - D.H. Lawrence

2.2 Laugh and be Merry - John Masefield

2.3 I Fear Not God But Mosquito -Aruna

Unit - III Life Sketches

3.1 Mother Teresa

3.2 A.P.J. Abdul Kalam

3.3 Sachin Tendulkar

Unit - IV Grammar and composition Grammar

- 4.1 Punctuation
- 4.2 The Past Tense
- 4.3 Transitive and Intransitive Verbs
- 4.4 Active Voice
- 4.5 Passive Voice

Composition

- 4.6 Report Writing
- 4.7 Advertisements
- 4.8 Telegram

Unit- V Communication

- 5.1 Seeking Permission
- 5.2 Asking for and Giving Opinions
- 5.3 Persuading People
- 5.4 Expressing Gratitude
- 5.5 Asking for Information

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Impact - Orient BlackSwan

SECOND YEAR - III SEMESTER

ENGLISH PAPER III

Unit -I Prose

1.1 With the Photographer - Stephen Leacock

1.2 I Won't let Him Go! - Madhavan Kutty

1.3 J.R.D's Words of Inspiration to Sudha Murthy - Source: Indian

Express 23 Oct 2002

1.4 Shooting An Elephant - George Orwell

1.5 The Lady or the Tiger? - Frank R. Stockton

Unit -II - Poetry

2.1 Ozymandias - P.B Shelley

2.2 The Palanquin Bearers - Sarojini Naidu

2.3 The Village Schoolmaster - Oliver Goldsmith

Unit -III - One Act Plays

3.1 The Never Never Nest - Cedric Mount

3.2 Refund - Fritz Karinthy

Unit- IV Grammar and Composition Grammar

- 4.1 Gerunds and Infinitives
- 4.2 Simple past and present perfect
- 4.3 Past perfect and past perfect continuous
- 4.4 Reported Speech
- 4.5 Modals

Composition

- 4.6 Expansion of an Idea
- 4.7 Framing a paragraph out of jumbled sentences
- 4.8 Public Notice

Unit- V -Communication

- 5.1 Apologising
- 5.2 Making Suggestions
- 5.3 Warning Some one
- 5.4 Starting a Conversation with a stranger
- 5.5 Giving Instructions

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Treasure Hunt - Cambridge University Press

SECOND YEAR - IV SEMESTER

ENGLISH PAPER- IV

Unit - I Prose

1.1 Monday Morning - Mark Twain

1.2 If you are wrong admit it - Dale Carnegie

1.3 The Lion and the Lamb - Leonard Clarke

1.4 A day with pandit Nehru - Nayantara Sagal

1.5 Cindrella - Fairy Tale

Unit -II poetry

2.1Dawn of an Era -Dr. V. Kulandaisamy

2.2 Matilda -Hilaire Belloc

2.3 Think of This, Soon Shall Come the Day - Aruna

Unit - III Select scenes from Shakespeare

- 3.1 Othello Bed chamber scene
- 3.2The Merchant of Venice Quality of Mercy
- 3.3 The Tempest First Meeting between Ferdinand and Miranda

Unit - IV - Grammar and Composition

Grammar

- 4.1 Future Time
- 4.2 Error Analysis
 - 1. Parts of Speech
 - 2. Concord
 - 3. Tenses
 - 4. Substitution and Ellipsis

Composition

- 4.3 Minutes Writing
- 4.4 Resume
- 4.5 Group Discussion and Interview

Unit -V Communication

- 5.1 Complimenting and Congratulating
- 5.2 Expressing Sympathy
- 5.3 Complaining
- 5.4 Leaving someone for a short time
- 5.5 Ending a conversation

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Pebbles - Anu Chitra Publications 63, Thambiah Readdy Road, West Mambalam, Chennai – 600 003 Tamil Nadu.